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## BRAZILIAN INDICTED FOR FEDERAL DRUG VIOLATIONS

(Beaumont, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today the indictment of a Brazilian national for federal drug violations in the Eastern District of Texas. **MAURO CESAR FILETO**, 29, a resident of Lawrenceville, Georgia, was charged with conspiring to distribute controlled substances.

According to information in the indictment, from June 2005 to July 2006, Fileto conspired with other individuals to deliver a variety of Schedule II controlled substances, including Oxycodone, Morphine, and Ritalin. The indictment also includes a notice of intent to seek forfeiture of at least \$3 million by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Fileto was arrested on July 25, 2006, in Georgia and will be arraigned in the Eastern District of Texas. An arraignment date has not been set.

If convicted, Fileto faces up to 20 years in prison and a fine of up to \$1 million. It is important to note that an indictment should not be considered as evidence of guilt and that all persons charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

This case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs

Enforcement and U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John A. Craft.

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